

REMARKS

The Office Action was mailed in this case on December 2, 2005, making a response due on or before March 2, 2006. Since this response is being submitted in a timely manner, no additional fee is thought to be due at this time. If any additional fee is due for the continued prosecution of this application, please charge the same to Applicant's Deposit Account No. 50-2555 (Whitaker, Chalk, Swindle & Sawyer, LLP).

The Examiner objected to the form of the Specification as not including the title to the invention on the first page of the Specification. The Specification has been accordingly amended.

The Examiner objected to Claims 3, 4, 5 , 6, 8 and 17 as being in improper form as multiple dependent claims. Applicant has amended the claims to correct the multiple dependency problems.

The Examiner raised a number of Section 112 objections to Applicants' claim language as being "indefinite" and as lacking antecedent basis for certain of the claim language. Applicant has made a diligent attempt to remedy the Section 112 problems in the claim amendments contained in this response.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication of the allowability of Claims 1, 7 and 14 if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C.§ 112 and that Claims 2-6, 8-13 and 15-17 would be allowable if similarly rewritten to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Accordingly, Claims 1-17 are thought to be allowable over the art of record and an early notification of the same would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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